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INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 NEA-10 ISO-00 SAA-01 ICAE-00 DODE-00

SS-15 SSO-00 SY-05 A-01 OC-06 CCO-00 NSCE-00

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FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 8911

INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN

AMEMBASSY CAIRO

AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY ATHENS

AMEMBASSY ROME

AMCONSUL JERUSALEM

USCINCEUR

AMCONSUL STUTTGART

C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 4239

DEPT FOR WLG; STUTTGART FOR ELG; USCINCEUR FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AEMR, APER, ASEC, LE

SUBJ: EMERGENCY & EVACUATION: EVACUATION OF DEPENDENTS AND
REDUCTION OF EMBASSY STAFF

REF: (A) BEIRUT 3762, (B) STATE 170623

1. IN VIEW OF CONTINUED DETERIORATION OF SECURITY SITUATION
IN BEIRUT, WE HAVE DECIDED TO PROCEED WITH THE ORDERLY
EVACUATION OF DEPENDENTS AND DRAWDOWN OF EMBASSY STAFF. WE
ARE PROCEEDING WITH ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE DEPENDENTS AND
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DEPARTING PERSONNEL TRAVEL BY COMMERCIAL AIR OR ROAD AND
TO BE OUT OF LEBANON BY AUGUST 1. AT THIS POINT THERE IS NO
NEED FOR AIRLIFT OR OTHER ASSISTANCE. THIS MAY CHANGE IF
SITUATION IN HADATH AREA LEADS TO INTERDICTION BEIRUT
AIRPORT.

2. DESIGNATED SAFEHAVEN IS ATHENS.

3. TOTAL NUMBER DEPENDENTS INVOLVED IN EVACUATION AS
FOLLOWS:

ADULTS 6
CHILDREN 6
TOTAL 12

SOME OF THOSE DEPARTING WILL OPT TO RETURN TO US.
AT LEAST TWO WILL GO TO ITALY. WE WILL INFORM ATHENS OF
ANY SPECIAL LODGING REQUIREMENTS AS SOON AS FAMILY DECISIONS
MADE.

4. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN DRAWDOWN IS AS
FOLLOWS:

STATE 2
USICA 1
AID 1
DAO 1
TOTAL 5

IN ADDITION, EMBASSY DOES NOT INTEND TO FILL TWO VACANT
POSITIONS. REQUESTS FOR IMMEDIATE ONWARD ASSIGNMENTS FOR
THESE PERSONNEL TO ENABLE THEM TO DEPART IN AN ORDERLY
FASHION TOGETHER WITH SHIPMENT OF EFFECTS WILL BE SUBJECT
OF SEPTELS TO EACH AGENCY.
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5. EMBASSY WILL INFORM AMERICAN COMMUNITY JULY 27 OF
ACTIONS OUTLINED ABOVE.

6. STATE 189483 JUST RECEIVED. MESSAGE FULLY UNDERSTOOD
AND APPRECIATED HERE. WE WILL KEEP SITUATION UNDER
CONSTANT REVIEW. IF THERE IS FURTHER DETERIORATION WE
WILL SHIP OUT MORE PEOPLE. PARKER

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